Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Anoka Soil and Water Conservation District FY09 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Surface Water:

Nutrient loading Sedimentation of lakes, rivers and wetlands. Bacterial contamination Volume/supply

Groundwater:

Nitrate contamination Bacterial contamination Infiltration of pesticides

Habitat:

Improve habitat within identified greenway corridors

Soil Loss:

Soil runoff

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

Region	Concern
Rum River Watershed	nutrients, sedimentation, manure, riparian habitat, impaired
Sunrise River Watershed	waters (IBI and turbidity)
Lake George	nutrients, invasive species control, septic systems, riparian
Coon Lake	habitat, sedimentation,
East Twin Lake	
Martin Lake	
Linwood Lake	
Greenway Corridors	habitat improvement, invasive species control, wetland restoration
Delineated drinking water supply management areas	nitrates, pesticides, irrigation management, bacteria

3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

Prioritize Local Resource Concerns

- 1. Nutrient loading to water bodies
- 2. Sedimentation of water bodies
- 3. Improve habitat within identified greenway corridors and riparian to water bodies
- 4. Nitrate contamination
- 5. Bacterial Contamination
- 6. Infiltration of pesticides
- 7. Soil runoff

4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.

	Question:	Points
1.	<u>Surface Water:</u> Will the practice reduce nutrient loading, sediment loading or manure impacts to surface water?	6
2.	Surface Water: Is the practice located < 100 ft of receiving water (surface water)?	4
3.	Surface Water: Is the practice located 100 to 500 ft of receiving water (surface water)?	2
4.	Habitat: Will habitat be improved within an identified greenway corridor or area riparian to a water body?	5
5.	Habitat: Will wetland habitat be enhanced?	3
6.	Surface Water: For questions 1, 2, and 3 above, is the practice located in the Rum River or Sunrise River Watershed?	5
7.	Surface Water:: For questions 1, 2, and 3 above, is the practice located in the watershed of a listed priority lake?	3
8.	Groundwater: Does the practice filter nitrate, pesticides or bacteria?	5
9.	Groundwater: Does practice filter contaminants within a drinking water supply management area?	3
10.	Soil Loss: Will the practice reduce sheet and rill erosion < T?	4
	Total	40

5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions must equal exactly 40 points.

Refer to question 4, column 3.

6. Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.

Worksheet submitted to Timothy Wilson; ASTC(FO) of Area 4.

7. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document.

None

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 09 EQIP. Below is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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